

It is said that the forthcoming biography of Princess Alice contains nothing new except a few letters from the Queen on charitable institutions.

Just as we are going to press we learn that the steamer *Kwongkong*, which left here for Swatow on the 24th instant, is reported broken down, and is now lying at anchor in the vicinity of the Nine-pins, about 16 miles from Hongkong. The Dock Company's tug *Fame* has gone out to bring the disabled steamer to Kowloon Dock.

THE colonization of Jews in the Holy Land is likely to be a dire failure unless radical measures of relief and reorganization are immediately adopted. Reports have reached England that the colonies at Zimmarin, who are nearly all refugees, are literally dying of hunger, and the colony at Rosh Pinah is in almost equal difficulties. The resources of the Central Committee at Galatz are said to be exhausted, and it is not easy to see how the situation of affairs can be changed unless the rich Jews of Europe and America come to the rescue. At Rosh Pinah there is no money to develop the resources of the colony, while at Zimmarin there are more families than the land is capable of supporting. The chief mistake seems to have been in undertaking the colonization enterprise without sufficient funds to make it feasible. The London *Globe* goes so far as to say that "the whole project has been so grossly mismanaged that it is time the control of it passed into more capable hands."

A CABLE special to "New York from Berlin on October 26th says:—In the Reichstag to-day Prince Bismarck introduced a bill prohibiting the emigration to foreign countries of persons whose obligations to country, families, creditors and employers are unsettled. The bill is especially against a class of men who have hidden themselves in emigration to avoid their legal obligations, breaking contracts with employers, and evading the payment of debts, etc. It is believed that, should the bill become a law, which it undoubtedly will, there will be a very perceptible decrease in the number of Germans who seek homes in foreign lands. It is said that Bismarck has been considering the advisability of such a bill many years. He believes it will restrain, in a great measure, the spread of socialism, as it will be impossible for a known agitator to leave the country, and for a known agitator to leave they will consequently exercise a greater degree of caution in their utterances. The bill would also restrict young men who are liable to be called into the army from emigrating to America. With this bill a law it would require a passport from the German Government to enable a German to get beyond the confines of his country.

Bangalore correspondent of the *Calcutta Telegraph* is responsible for the following:—We had a mild excitement here in the shape of a brush between a reverend gentleman and an offending newspaper editor. A paragraph appeared in one of the local papers, containing a wretched singing in one of our churches, and really the singing has been atrocious. Well, the chaplain of the church in question cut up rough over this friendly, though unfavorable, criticism, and being of a "muscular Christian" frame and temperament for a clergyman, called at the office of the offending paper, and demanded the sanction of the editor. The padre evidently thought that editors were as shadowy in substance as they appeared to him to be "liquorish" in presence, for he, without further preface, tried to bully the editor into apologizing mood. Alas for the padre! The editor, though mild and good in all and every other sense, was wanting in that respect which the sight of a gown inspires, and, resenting the impertinence of his clerical visitor, shook the latter in something more than a mere metaphorical sense. The padre was glad to beat a hasty retreat, and it is said had to take a dose of Morrison's pills before he could regain his equilibrium. He had lost over such high and unexpected handling. There were rumors that the affair would afford a scandal for the Senior Police Magistrate's Court in the shape of a cross-action of assault and trespass, but he is glad to say such a contingency has been averted, and peace and quietness have been restored to the church and editorial snuggery.

At a dinner given on October 23rd by the Mayor and Corporation of Winchester, Lord Northbrook, acknowledging the toast of "The Navy," referred to the impression produced on the Board of Admiralty by the recent official inspection. The most important element of our naval strength was the number and efficiency of the men, and we had plenty of fine lads ready to enter the service. The training ships were in a high state of efficiency. The reserves were also in a satisfactory condition. They found satisfactory progress everywhere in the dockyards, and they expected to realize the estimates framed in the beginning of the year. The "armour-plated ships" under construction were being pushed rapidly on, the guns had been settled, and complicated questions of detail decided. As to the armour-plated ships, which had been recently launched or were just completed, the trial of the guns of the *Ajax* and the *Agamemnon* was very successful, and the speed of the *Conqueror* and *Edinburgh* was fully up to anticipation. Shipbuilding as applied to ships of war was peculiarly open to criticism because of the various qualities required. A perfect fighting ship of the present day should have very high speed and carry a great supply of coal. She must be protected by armour against the heaviest known guns, and be armed herself with the heaviest guns as well as with all the latest inventions for discharging torpedoes. She must have moderate draught of water, and be handy to turn. It would be impossible to produce such a ship, and the real question was, which of the desirable qualities must be sacrificed? There was reason to think the ships were now building were not inferior to those of other nations. Lord Northbrook expressed his conviction that our naval authorities and engineers would show themselves as superior in building ships of war as they had done in the construction of our magnificent merchant steamers. Referring to guns, Lord Northbrook spoke strongly of the superiority of the new guns. It was a mistake to suppose a breech-loading gun of a few years ago was superior to a muzzle-loading one of the same weight. It was the recent improvements in artillery which made the difference. Guns weighing forty three tons of the new type were being supplied to our ships. Some delay had been inevitable from trying patterns, but they were now beginning to move quickly. The new guns, however, were very costly, and we must be prepared for heavy artillery estimates until the fleet is fully equipped with them. In conclusion, Lord Northbrook assured his hearers that, while relying upon the officers and the men of the Royal Navy to do their duty, the board of Admiralty were fully sensible of their responsibility for the maintenance of the naval superiority of Great Britain. Lord Northbrook was loudly applauded throughout his speech.

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HAINAN.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

KIUNGHOW, 20th December 1883.

A meeting of the "Hollow Shooting Company," Very Limited, was held at Hollow on the 15th inst., the chair being occupied, in the absence of Mr. A. Schöndorf, the president, by Mr. Robert Elgin Bruce, vice-president of the society. After concluding the formal business of the meeting, a complimentary band was given in honor of Mr. George Baldwin, one of the members who has received orders to proceed from here to Ningpo.

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TAI-PU, 28th September 1883.

I hear that thirty-two converts have recently been killed in a very savage manner. The murderer of M. Terrasse cut out his victim's heart and liver, cooked it, and ate it along with his fowls. The head was taken from the body, but has been returned. The Viceroy, I hear, has given 15,000 compensation. The Bishop now here (Taifu) is going to see the body of the deceased, and those of some of the converts recently buried. Two chapels have to be built at one place.

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Commercial.

THIS DAY.

Share business has been temporarily suspended, most of the operators having forsaken "bulling" and "bearing" for the primitive measures of the rollicking "Rialto" to-morrow like "giant" on the cards that refreshment, and it is just on the cards that something sensational to report between now and the end of the year.

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Chinese Insurance Company—\$300 per share, buyers.
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Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

PING-ON, British steamer, 574, A. A. McCaslin, 24th Dec., Pakhoi 20th Dec., and Hoihow 22nd Dec., General—Russell & Co.
NORWEGIAN, American ship, 417, Lapez, 24th Dec., Amoy 22nd Dec., General—Stemmen & Co.
TITANIC, American ship, 1,175, Charles H. Norris, 24th Dec., Portland (Oregon), 2nd Nov., Flour, &c.—Captain.
AMATISTA, British steamer, 522, Hamlin, 25th Dec., Manila 22nd Dec., General—Russell & Co.
CHI-YUEN, Chinese steamer, 1,196, F. H. Wallace, 25th Dec., Swatow 24th Dec., General—C. M. S. N. Co.
ESMERALDA, British steamer, 395, G. Wright, 25th Dec., Manila 21st Dec., and Amoy 24th Dec., General—Russell & Co.
ALDEN BESSE, American bark, 812, A. Noyes, 25th Dec., Victoria, B.C., 31st Oct., and Honolulu 23rd Nov., Timber—Melchers & Co.
KONG BENG, British steamer, 864, Jones, 25th Dec., Bangkok 16th Dec., General—Yuen Fat Hong.
MASSILA, German steamer, 1,262, G. Petersen, 25th Dec., Kuchinotzu 24th Dec., Coal—Stemmen & Co.
JUPITER, Russian bark, American bark, 680, C. Johannsen, 26th Dec., Cardiff 16th July, Coal—Order.
CHEUNG HOCK KIAN, British steamer, 956, F. Webb, 26th Dec., Penang 14th Dec., and Singapore 18th Dec., General—Bun Hin & Co.
CHANGCHOW, British steamer, 1,109, White, 25th Dec., Shanghai 21st Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.
OLYMPIA, German steamer, 783, C. Christiansen, 26th Dec., Macao 26th Dec., Ballast—Stemmen & Co.

DEPARTURES.

December 25, Chinkiang, British steamer, for Shanghai.
December 25, Venice, British steamer, for Singapore.
December 25, Kaiter-Fhind, British steamer, for Singapore, Bombay, &c.
December 25, Audacious, British frigate, for a cruise.
December 25, Chang-chow, British steamer, for Canton.
December 25, Junata, American corvette, for Swatow.
December 25, Camorta, Dutch str., for Saigon.
December 25, Anna Bertha, German bark, for Quinhon.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per Amatista, str., from Manila, 1 European.
Per Chi-yuen, str., from Swatow—57 Chinese.
Per Esmeralda, str., from Manila, &c.—Mr. Hansen, and 57 Chinese.
Per Titan, from Portland (Oregon)—Captain's wife and 3 children, and Mr. C. Nickerson and 48 Chinese.
Per Alden Besse, from Victoria, B.C., &c.—Mr. Vernon, and 34 Chinese.
Per Chang Hock Kian, str., from Penang and Singapore—500 Chinese.
Per Ping-on, str., from Pakhoi and Hoihow—25 Chinese.
Per Kong Beng, str., from Bangkok—80 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Kaiter-Fhind, str., from Hongkong—Messrs. G. A. Burr, R. C. Moscoro, E. Streichenberg, C. H. Colvin, E. M. L. Smith, and Su Pak Wing, for Singapore. For Penang, Messrs. C. E. Caulfield, Lum Quoy, and Nuy Hem. For Bombay—Messrs. J. Pestonjee, and P. D. Golla. For Venice—Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Suckner. For London—Mrs. and Miss Gaudie, Lieut. E. H. Bagby, R.N., Captain B. F. Holme, and Mr. J. Patterson. For Marseilles—Messrs. C. S. Powell and F. Cass. From Shanghai—Mr. Dugdon's native servant. For Penang—For Calcutta—Mr. De Senall's native servant. For Marseilles—Mr. and Mrs. Farnham, Mrs. M. S. Cary, Messrs. J. S. Cary and F. J. Marshall. From Yokohama—3 natives, for Singapore. For Brindisi—Misses E. and M. Talcott. For Sydney—Mr. and Mrs. Lowe and European servant.

REPORTS.

The German steamship Olympia reports left Macao on the 26th instant. Had strong N.W. winds.
The British steamship Amatista reports left Manila on the 22nd instant. Had moderate monsoon and fine weather.
The Chinese steamship Chi-yuen reports left Swatow on the 24th instant. Had fresh monsoon and cloudy weather, with high following sea.
The British steamship Esmeralda reports left Manila on the 21st instant, and Amoy on the 24th. Had strong monsoon and heavy sea throughout.
The British steamship Kong Beng reports left Bangkok on the 16th instant. Had strong Easterly and N.E. winds, with heavy sea, throughout the passage.
The American bark Alden Besse reports left Victoria, B.C., on the 31st October, and Honolulu on the 23rd ultimo. Had light wind and fine weather throughout.
The British steamship Cheung Hock Kian reports left Penang on the 14th instant, and Singapore on the 18th. Had strong monsoon throughout, and cloudy weather, with strong current to the S.W.
The British steamship Ping-on reports left Pakhoi on the 20th instant, and Hoihow on the 22nd. Had strong N.E. breeze with cloudy weather to St. John's; from thence had thick and rainy weather to Macao; from thence to port had fine weather.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Bangkok—Per Rajanathannar, on Friday, the 28th instant, at 7.30 A.M.
For Nagasaki, Higo, and Yokohama—Per Khiva, on Thursday, the 27th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cocktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, &c.—Per Nagles, on Tuesday, the 8th January, at 4.00 P.M.

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MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet "YANETRE" will be despatched on "Tuesday" (the 27th proximo) with mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond. It will be a large and comfortable vessel, and will be commanded by Captain G. de la Balle. It will be a large and comfortable vessel, and will be commanded by Captain G. de la Balle. It will be a large and comfortable vessel, and will be commanded by Captain G. de la Balle.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STAMMERS.

CITY OF PEKING, American ship, 5,070, Berry, 21st Dec.—San Francisco 22nd Nov., and Yokohama 13th Dec., Mail and General—P. M. S. S. Co.
DANUBE, British steamer, 561, J. Newton, 22nd November—Bangkok 12th November, Rice and General—Yuen Fat Hong.
EMUV, Spanish steamer, 410, Rementeria, 30th June—Manila 27th June, General—Remedios & Co.—Kowloon Dock.
FAME, British steamer, 117, A. Stopani—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
HAINAN, British steamer, 281, J. Woone, 28th Nov.—Hoihow 26th November, General—Aloft & Co.
HESPERIA, German steamer, 1,135, F. Wagner, 20th December—Hamburg 1st Nov., and Singapore 12th Dec., General—Stemmen & Co.
KHIVA, British steamer, 1,419, P. Harris, 22nd Dec.—Yokohama 15th Dec., Mails, and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
KWANTUNG, British steamer, 680, M. Young, 23rd Dec.—Fochow 20th Dec., Amoy 21st, and Swatow 22nd, General—D. La-prale & Co.
JEDDAH, British steamer, 993, Geary, 10th Dec.—Singapore 9th December, General—Ghee Cheong Hong.
ORION, Austro-Hungarian steamer, 1,813, G. Mahorich, 21st Dec.—Trafalgar 1st Nov., and Singapore 14th December, General—Melchers & Co.
PEKING, British steamer, 954, Heuermann, 18th Dec.—Canton 17th Dec., General—Stemmen & Co.
PILOT FISH, Spanish steamer, Bernardo Vhl, 27th Nov.—Manila 24th November, Ballast—Remedios & Co.—Cosmopolitan Dock.
RAJANATHANNAR, British steamer, 973, McIntosh, 23rd Dec.—Bangkok 15th December, General—Yuen Fat Hong.
ROMEO, Spanish steamer, 270, Reynolds, 21st Dec.—Manila 17th Dec., General—Melchers & Co.
SAITRE, French steamer, 323, V. Aranguren, 12th Dec.—Haiphong 10th December, Rice. A. R. Marty.
SLEMBRIA, British steamer, 1,992, Fowler, 16th November—Amoy 15th November, General—Russell & Co.
TAKACHIO MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,407, C. Nye, 16th December—Kobe 9th Dec., and Nagasaki 11th, General—Mitsui Bishi M. S. S. Co.
TROMP, Dutch steamer, 137, A. S. Roe, 11th October—Celebes 27th September, Victoria Foundry.

SAILING VESSELS.

ALICE MARY, British bark, 361, J. Danis, 26th Nov.—Newchwang 15th Nov., Beans—Russell & Co.
ANNA, German bark, 447, W. Jensen, 30th Nov.—Newchwang 22nd Nov., Beans—Wielor & Co.
ANNETTIN, Italian bark, 475, F. Repetto, 4th Dec.—Singapore 13th October, Wood—D. Musso & Co.
ANTIOCH, American bark, 956, J. D. Wyman, 25th Nov.—Newcastle, N.S.W., and Oct. Coals—Order.
ASTERIA, British brig, 211, Samuel Cox, 26th September—Normanton (North Queensland) 18th Sept. Ballast—Captain.
BROODERS, British bark, 665, A. E. Kildare, 22nd Dec.—Newcastle, N.S.W., 12th Oct. Coal—Russell & Co.
CHARNELO, British bark, 600, Le Lacheur, 24th Dec.—Singapore 6th Nov., Timber—Ed. Schellhaus & Co.
CHARON WATTANA, Siamese bark, 657, F. Ulrich, 21st December—Chafoo 13th Dec., General—Chinese.
COLOMA, American bark, 833, C. M. Noyes, 20th Dec.—Portland, Oregon, 22nd Oct. Lumber and Spars—Melchers & Co.
C. B. CARY, American bark, 1,100, Leroy Dow, 8th Dec.—Yokohama 29th Nov. Petroleum Oil—Thomas Rowe and Smith.
ELIZABETH, German bark, 1,170, D. Bräuer, 30th Nov.—Cardiff 1st July, Coals—Melchers & Co.
FROHLICH, German brig, 160, W. N. Miller, 22nd Dec.—Chafoo 13th Dec., General—Wielor & Co.
GESINE BRONS, German bark, 400, Laarmann, 14th November—Swatow 10th Nov., Ballast—Wielor & Co.
HAYDON BROWN, American bark, 822, C. H. Heverer, 15th Oct.—Newcastle, N.S.W., 1st August, Coals—Russell & Co.
HECHT, German 3-m. schooner, 358, Floetz, 18th Dec.—Chafoo 9th Dec., Beans—Stemmen & Co.
HELENA, British bark, 556, C. Hansen, 25th Nov.—Newchwang 15th November, Beans—Stemmen & Co.
HIERONYMUS, German bark, 431, Island, 1st Dec.—Amoy 29th Nov., Beans—Captain JACOBINE, German bark, 417, C. H. Christian, 25th Nov.—Newchwang 14th Nov., Beans—Ed. Schellhaus & Co.
J. A. BORLAND, American bark, 635, Y. A. Kent, 8th September—Newcastle 6th July, Coal—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
MARIE, German bark, 465, H. Island, 25th Nov.—Newchwang 16th November, Beans—Wielor & Co.
MATHILDE, German bark, 355, Tonningens, 23rd Nov.—Newchwang 14th Nov., Beans—Ed. Schellhaus & Co.
MOUNT LEBANON, British bark, 530, Chas. H. Nelson, 12th Oct.—Whampoa 11th Oct.—Rosario & Co.—Repairing at Cosmopolitan Dock.
MOZART, German brig, 234, Storm, 22nd Dec.—Chafoo 13th December, General—Stemmen & Co.
NELLIE M. SLADE, American barkentine, 363, Gould, 20th Nov.—Newcastle, N.S.W., 10th October, Coal—Russell & Co.
NELLIE MAY, American bark, 664, Austin, 30th Nov.—Newcastle 1st October, Coal—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
N. GIBSON, Amer. bark, 704, F. C. Bailey, 3rd November—Newcastle, N.S.W., 6th Sept. Coal—Borneo Co. Limited.
OKELIA, German bark, 688, Nissen, 23rd Dec.—Hamburg 21st July, General—Calloway & Co.
ONEIDA, American ship, 1,130, Carver, 27th October—Newcastle, N.S.W., 28th August, Coal—Russell & Co.—Kowloon Dock.
ONKRA, British bark, 430, J. A. Morton, 20th November—Newcastle 18th Nov., Beans—Ed. Schellhaus & Co.
OSAKA, British ship, 527, Lowe, 21st Nov.—London 21st July, General—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
PERLE, British steamer, 401, John Kniss, 23rd Dec.—Kuchinotzu 16th Dec., Coal—Capt. M. S. S. Co.
RACINE, British bark, 289, R. A. Black, 30th Nov.—Newchwang, and Amoy 25th Nov., Beans—Chinese.
RODRIGUEZ HAY, British bark, 599, Michelson, 30th Nov.—Newchwang 15th Nov., Beans—Stemmen & Co.
SACRAMENT, American ship, 1,064, Small, 10th Nov.—Cardiff 9th June, Coal—O. & O. S. S. Co.
SARAH, American bark, 622, A. J. Dwyne, 1st Dec.—Newcastle, N.S.W., 3rd October, Coal—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
SIRIUS, German bark, 397, H. Johannsen, 23rd Dec.—Newchwang 21st Nov., Beans—Ed. Schellhaus & Co.

HONGKONG—SAILING VESSELS.

Continued.

SPARTAN, American schooner, 25, Ch. Vincent, 26th July—from Chingchow—W. H. Ray.
ST. IDEUC, French bark, 380, T. Dirand, 16th Dec.—Whampoa 15th December, General—Calloway & Co.
TWILIGHT, American ship, 1,265, W. C. Ward, 8th June—Newcastle, N.S.W., 14th April, Coal—Adamson, Bell & Co.
WILDWOOD, American bark, 1,099, Chas. P. Sawyer, 23rd Sept.—Nagasaki 14th Sept. Coal—M. B. M. S. S. Co.
ZOUAVE, American ship, 1,202, Robert C. Loper, 23rd August—Cardiff 4th April, Coals—P. & O. S. N. Co.—Cosmopolitan Dock.

CANTON.

AMOV, British steamer, 814, Wm. Potts, 24th Dec.—Shanghai 21st December, General—Stemmen & Co.
FOOKSANG, British steamer, 990, Hogg, 23rd Dec.—Shanghai 20th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

RIVER STEAMERS.

Hankow, British steamer, 235, J. Ogston, Butterfield & Swire.
Ho-nan, British steamer, 1377—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—Laid up.
Kiang-ping, Chinese steamer, 360, Holmes & Co. M. S. N. Co.
Kiu-kiang, British steamer, 617, T. Benning—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.
Klung-chow, British steamer, 159, Goggin—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.
Powan, British steamer, 1890, G. B. Lefavor—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.
White Cloud, British steamer, 527, A. Benning—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.
Yok-sai, British steamer, 180, Hoyland—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

Albatross, screw sloop, 4 guns, Commander Chas. Hicks, Hongkong.
Audacious, double-screw iron frigate, Captain R. E. Tracy, Cruising.
Champion, corvette, 14 guns, Captain A. T. Fowler, Hongkong.
Cleopatra, corvette, 14 guns, Captain H. N. Hippley, Cruising.
Cockchafer, gunboat, 4 guns, Commander R. L. Groom, Chafoo.
Curacoa, corvette, 14 guns, Captain Anstruther, Shanghai.
Daring, composite sloop, 4 guns, Commander F. J. Elliott, Hongkong.
Esk, double-screw gunboat, 3 guns, In reserve, Hongkong.
Espoir, gunboat, 4 guns, Commander Gamble, Chafoo.
Fly, double-screw gunboat, 4 guns, Lieutenant Commander Hoskey, Hongkong.
Foxhound, gunboat, 4 guns, Lieutenant Commander McQuhae, Fochow.
Keestr, double-screw gun-vessel, 4 guns, Commander E. Rotham, Tientsin.
Linnet, British gunboat, 5 guns, Commander J. G. Jones, Hongkong.
Magpie, surveying vessel, 4 guns, Lieut.-Com. Ho. F. Vereker, Sunda Straits.
Midge, double-screw gun-vessel, Tisdall, in reserve, Hongkong.
Pegase, sloop, 6 guns, Commander Bickford, Singapore.
Sapphire, corvette, 9 guns, Commander John R. T. Fullerton, Nagasaki.
Swift, double-screw gun-vessel, 5 guns, Commander W. Collins, Canton.
Tweed, double-screw gunboat, 3 guns, in reserve, Hongkong.
Victor Emmanuel, receiving ship, 20 guns, Commodore Cuming, Hongkong.
Vigilant, paddle despatch-vessel, 2 guns, Commander Maxwell, Hongkong.
Wivern, turret-ship, 4 guns, in reserve, Hongkong.
Zephyr, gunboat, 4 guns, Lieutenant-Commander Pollard, Hongkong.

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA STATION.

Abreck, Russian gunboat, 7 guns, Captain Schanz, Vladivostok.
Chet, French gunboat, Commander Lafon, Hongkong.
Enterprise, American corvette, Commander A. S. Baker, Korea.
Ernak, Russian transport, Captain Kolichan, Japan.
Essex, American gun-vessel, 6 guns, Captain McCormack, Canton.
Gornostal, Russian gunboat, 7 guns, Commander Stark, Vladivostok.
Drac, French transport, Captain Ferrat, Hongkong.
Hamelin, French cruiser, Commander H. Rousset, Haiphong.
Ilis, German gunboat, 8 guns, Commander Classa, Hongkong.
Junila, American corvette, Commander F. F. Harrington, en route Swatow.
Kersant, French corvette, Commander Beaumont, Haiphong.
Leipzig, German corvette, 16 guns, Captain Herzbig, Hongkong.
Legaspi, Spanish transport, Commander Valenti, Shanghai.
Lutin, French gunboat, 4 guns, Commander Rouvier, Hongkong.
Monocacy, American gunboat, 6 guns, Commander Cotton, Shanghai.
Mory, Russian gunboat, 7 guns, Commander Moltsov, Vladivostok.
Nesednik, Russian corvette, Captain Kalagars, Yokohama.
Nepes, Russian gunboat, 7 guns, Commander Valroni, Vladivostok.
Opitchilich, Russian cruiser, Commander B. Ivasov, hector, Fochow.
Palos, American gunboat, 6 guns, Lieutenant-Commander Green, Chafoo.
Pensicola, American frigate, Captain H. Esben, en route Singapore.
Richmond, American frigate, 14 guns, Captain Skobelev, Yokohama.
Sobol, Russian gunboat, 7 guns, Commander Boyle, Nagasaki.
Stosch, German corvette, 19 guns, Captain Buchholz, Chafoo.
Tamega, Portuguese gunboat, Commander da Costa Cabral, Hongkong.
Tongus, Russian gunboat, Commander Hick, Singapore.
Tourville, French frigate, 27 guns, Captain Bose, Hongkong.
Triomphante, French corvette, 17 guns, Captain Baur, Amoy.
Victorieuse, French frigate, 14 guns, Captain de la Balle, Hongkong.
Villars, French corvette, 11 guns, Captain M. Dewaire, Haiphong.
Volta, French corvette, Captain Fourmeau, Canton.
Vorstock, Russian gunboat, 4 guns, Commander Molchouk, Vladivostok.
Wolf, German gunboat, 4 guns, Commander von Raven, Hongkong.

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It is said that the forthcoming biography of Princess Alice contains nothing new except a few letters from the Queen on charitable institutions.

Just as we are going to press we learn that the steamer *Kwongkong*, which left here for Swatow on the 24th instant, is reported broken down, and is now lying at anchor in the vicinity of the Nine-pins, about 16 miles from Hongkong. The Dock Company's tug *Fang* has gone out to bring the disabled steamer to Kowloon Dock.

The colonization of Jews in the Holy Land is likely to be a dire failure unless radical measures of relief and reorganization are immediately adopted. Reports have reached England that the colonists at Zimmarin, who are nearly all refugees, are literally dying of hunger, and the colony at Jesh Pinah is in almost equal difficulties. The resources of the Central Committee at Galatz are said to be exhausted, and it is not easy to see how the situation of affairs can be changed unless the rich Jews of Europe and America come to the rescue. At Jesh Pinah there is no money to develop the resources of the colony, while at Zimmarin there are more families than the land is capable of supporting. The chief mistake seems to have been in undertaking the colonization enterprise without sufficient funds to make it feasible. The London *Globe* goes so far as to say that "the whole project has been so grossly mismanaged that it is time the control of it passed into more capable hands."

A cable special to New York from Berlin on October 26th says:—In the Reichstag to-day Prince Bismarck introduced a bill prohibiting the emigration to foreign countries of persons whose obligations to country, families, creditors and employers are unsettled. The bill is especially against a class of men who have hitherto found in emigration easy and effectual methods of severing onerous or disagreeable families, breaking contracts with employers, and evading the payment of debts, etc. It is believed that, should the bill become a law, which it undoubtedly will, there will be a very perceptible decrease in the number of Germans who seek homes in foreign lands. It is said that Bismarck has been considering the advisability of such a bill many years. He believes it will restrain, in a great measure, the spread of socialism, as it will be impossible for a known agitator to leave the country, and possessing such knowledge, they will consequently exercise a greater degree of caution in their utterances. The bill would also restrict young men who are liable to be called into the army from emigrating to America. With this bill a law, it would require a passport from the German Government to enable a German to get beyond the confines of his country.

The Bangalore correspondent of the *Calcutta Englishman* is responsible for the following:—We have had a mild excitement here in the shape of a brush between a reverend gentleman and an offending newspaper editor. A paragraph appeared in one of the local papers, complaining of the wretched singing in one of our churches, and really the singing has been atrocious. Well, the chaplain of the church in question cut up rough over this friendly, though unfavourable, criticism, and being of a "muscular Christian" frame and temperament for a clergyman, called at the office of the offending paper, and invaded the sanctum of the editor. The padre evidently thought that editors were as shadowy in substance as they appeared to him to be ubiquitous in presence, for he, without further preface, tried to bully the editor into an apologising mood. Alas for the padre! The editor, though a mild and good man in all and every other sense, was wanting in that respect which the sight of a gown inspires, and, resenting the impertinence of his clerical visitor, shook the latter in something more than a mere metaphorical sense. The padre was glad to beat a hasty retreat, and it is said had to take a dose of Morrison's pills before he could regain the dignity and equilibrium he had lost over such rough and unexpected handling. There were fears that the affair would afford a scandal for our Senior Police Magistrate's Court in the shape of a collision for assault and trespass; but I am glad to say such a contingency has blown over, and peace and quietness have been restored in the sacristy and editorial snugery.

A telegram from Washington dated the 11th ult., dealing with the vexed question of the importation of Chinese coolies into the United States says:—Senator Miller of California, in his letter to the State Department with regard to the recent alleged attempts to evade the provisions of the Chinese Restriction act and the treaty of 1880, by means of false certificates issued by the Chinese superintendent at Hongkong, says he is unwilling to believe that the Chinese Government has given its sanction to such a grave violation of the treaty and the law, and suggests that inquiries should be made of that Government. First, whether the Superintendent of Customs at Canton is authorized to issue such certificates; second, whether it is known to the Imperial Government that this official has issued such certificates to Chinese laborers; and third, whether the Government of China is prepared to avow or sanction the acts of said official, or whether it disavows the same, and, if so, by what means. He then suggests that, pending the answers to these inquiries, the customs officers charged with the execution of the act would be justified in suspending certificates issued by the Superintendent of Customs at Canton, whenever it manifestly appears that the persons holding the same are Chinese laborers, and that instructions to that effect might properly be given by the competent authorities. In his letter to the Treasury Department, the Senator requests that Customs officers be instructed to disregard certificates issued by the Superintendent of Customs at Canton in cases where the persons certified are evidently not palatable Chinese laborers, who are being introduced into the United States in violation of the law and the treaty. The Treasury Department will await the action of the Department of State.

At a dinner given on October 23rd by the Mayor and Corporation of Winchester, Lord Northbrook, acknowledging the toast of "The Navy," referred to the impression produced on the Board of Admiralty by the recent official inspection. The most important element of our naval strength was the number and efficiency of the men, and we had plenty of fine lads ready to enter the service. The training ships were in a high state of efficiency. The reserves were also in a satisfactory condition. They found satisfactory progress everywhere in the dockyards, and they expected to realize the estimates framed in the beginning of the year. The armour-plated ships under construction were being pushed rapidly on, the guns had been settled, and complicated questions of detail decided. As to the armour-plated ships which had been recently launched or were just completed, the trial of the guns of the *Ajax* and the *Agamemnon* was very successful, and the speed of the *Conqueror* and *Edinburgh* was fully up to anticipation. Shipbuilding as applied to ships of war was peculiarly open to criticism because of the various qualities required. A perfect fighting ship of the present day should have very high speed and carry a great supply of coal. She must be protected by armour against the heaviest known guns, and be armed herself with the heaviest guns as well as with all the latest inventions for discharging torpedoes. She must have a moderate draught of water, and be handy to turn. It would be impossible to produce such a ship; and the real question was, Which of the desirable qualities must be sacrificed? There was reason to think the ships we were now building were not inferior to those of other nations. Lord Northbrook expressed his conviction that our naval authorities and engineers would show themselves as superior in building ships of war as they had done in the construction of our magnificent merchant steamers. Referring to guns, Lord Northbrook spoke strongly of the superiority of the new guns. It was a mistake to suppose a breech-loading gun of a few years ago was superior to a muzzle-loading one of weight for weight. It was the recent improvements in artillery which made the difference. Guns weighing forty-three tons of the new type were being supplied to our ships. Some delay had been inevitable from trying patterns, but they were now beginning to move quickly. The new guns, however, were very costly, and we must be prepared for heavy artillery estimates until the fleet is fully equipped with them. In conclusion, Lord Northbrook assured his hearers that, while relying upon the officers and the men of the Royal Navy to do their duty, the board of Admiralty were fully sensible of their responsibility for the maintenance of the naval superiority of Great Britain. Lord Northbrook was loudly applauded throughout his speech.

EARTH TORPEDOES.

AN INVENTION WHICH IS ABOUT TO REVOLUTIONIZE THE ART OF WAR.

Some particulars concerning earth torpedoes which were lately tested at Tientsin have been published by the *Geneva papers*. The result of the experiments was considered so satisfactory that the Swiss military authorities have advised the Federal Council to purchase the right of making the torpedoes and the secret of their construction from the inventor, Lieutenant Zdobovits, of the Austrian army. The Zdobovits torpedo, according to several high military authorities, is destined to effect a partial revolution in the art of war, especially of defensive war. It renders possible the laying, in a very short time and by common workmen, of a series of powerful mines, any one of which can be exploded by a shock, a train of gunpowder, or an electric wire. In fifteen minutes sixty men can furnish with these torpedoes a line, 100 yards long. The system, moreover, offers great advantages for strengthening the outworks of permanent or temporary fortifications, barricades, covering a weak detachment or defending a line of retreat. The perfection of this engine of destruction was attested by Lieutenant Zdobovits seven years, and it is said now to have all the properties which such an invention ought to possess—certainty of effect, cheapness, simplicity of construction, and ease of manipulation. After a series of searching experiments it was warmly recommended by the engineer section of the Austrian Military Commission, and was used with success during the late insurrection in the south of Dalmatia. On one occasion ten men completely barred, in seventeen minutes, the pass of Han with fifteen torpedoes.

In appearance the torpedo is a sort of square shrapnel. The charge is explosive Truoc gelatine, and, by means of a simple interior mechanism, can be burst either above ground, under a layer of earth, or under water. The torpedoes are made in series corresponding with their charges, which range from four pounds to one hundred pounds, and are classified respectively according to the use for which they are destined, as torpedoes of observation, of contact, and of percussion. The two last named sorts are meant to be exploded by the enemy's fire, or by the action of a mine. The first sort is not likely to be suspected, as it is a small, round carriage, placed across a road, behind a door or a gate which has to be opened, the mere removal of the obstacle being sufficient to cause the explosion. The percussion torpedo is hidden a few inches beneath the soil or in a drain, and explodes readily under the weight of a number of men, or the pressure of a vehicle or the tramp of a horse. The four pound torpedoes are for instant use, and being easy of transport, may be taken almost wherever troops can march. Twenty-five of them can be packed on one *bat mule*.

A single torpedo of this calibre will break up any ordinary road to its full width, and three or four torpedoes along a road are sufficient to render it impassable. They pulverize everything within a diameter of seven, and break everything within a diameter of thirteen metres from the centre of explosion. They may be buried under four or five centimetres of earth without detriment to their destructive effect. It is only the larger engines that can be buried deeper: that is, without impairing their efficiency. Up to a distance of 800 metres an explosion can be effected mechanically without the aid of electricity; either by design on the part of the operator, or involuntarily by some act of the enemy. As touching the time required to place these torpedoes under a layer of earth of five centimetres thick, it has been found by actual experiment that in fifteen minutes sixty men may sow in this way 120 engines in three or four lines over one square kilometre of ground, thereby rendering it absolutely impassable. A regiment that would attempt to march over it would be simply pulverized. —*N. Y. Herald.*

HAINAN.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)
KIUNGCHOW, 20th December 1883.

A meeting of the "Hainan Shooting Company, Very Limited" was held at Hainan on the 15th inst., the chair being occupied, in the absence of Mr. A. Schönborg, the president by Mr. Robert Elgin Bruce, vice-president of the society. After concluding the formal business of the meeting, a complimentary banquet was given in honor of Mr. George Baldwin, one of the members, who has received orders to proceed from here to Ningpo.

The banquet was held in the house of Mr. Mommson, which was elegantly decorated for the occasion, and a most enjoyable evening was spent by the members and their guests. After doing justice to an admirable spread, the usual toasts were proposed; that of the departing member being drunk amidst great enthusiasm. Mr. Baldwin's honourable character and social virtues were highly extolled, and the whole company joined in wishing him every success and prosperity in his future career. Mr. Baldwin gratefully responded, heartily thanking his friends for the honor they had done him, and for their kind wishes, and assuring them that he would ever carry with him many pleasing reminiscences of his sojourn in Hainan.

YUNNAN.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)
TALI-FU, 28th September, 1883.

I hear that thirty-two converts have really been killed in a very savage manner. The murderer of M. Terasse cut out his victim's heart and liver, cooked it, and ate it among his fellows. The head was taken from the body, but it has been returned. The victim, I hear, has given £15,000 compensation. The Ethioh is now here (Tali) paying the claims of his converts. I believe he is going to see the body of M. Terasse and those of some of the converts properly buried. Two chapels have to be rebuilt and one repaired.

The people of this city know as much about Tonquin affairs as they do about the man in the moon. No troops have been sent from here, although this is the residence of the *Ti-fai*—Star in the East.

To-day's Advertisements.

THE Burlesque, "Brown and the Brahmins" announced for WEDNESDAY EVENING, is unavoidably postponed to a future date. THE NEXT PERFORMANCE will be "THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE," SATURDAY EVENING.

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Hongkong, 26th December, 1883. [950]

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1883.

In a leading article which appeared in the *Daily Press* of the 22nd instant, the writer gives to the public another instalment of his lengthy series of so-called criticisms on the policy pursued by Governor Pops HENNESSY in Mauritius. As His Excellency's administration of the affairs of that important colony speaks for itself, and will best be gauged by actual results, we do not consider it worth our while, or in any way necessary, to traverse the critical (?) analysis which our contemporary pretends to lay before its readers with such a loud-voiced assumption of strict impartiality. Nor is it at all requisite that we should take the trouble to divest the animadversions of this hostile critic of the very thin coating of common-sense on which they pretend to be based. In such a case as this, contemptuous silence would be the severest criticism. However, although Governor HENNESSY requires no advocacy of ours to commend the lines on which his Government of the Mauritius has been laid down, public justice demands for several reasons that the true value of such a criticism, as the one in the *Daily Press* should at least be understood. In life it is occasionally difficult to say who does the most mischief or the greatest amount of good—enemies with the worst intentions, or friends with the best. In this particular instance, the intentions of the writer in the morning paper are beyond all question; but although meaning to inflict the greatest amount of mischief in his power on our late ruler, it seems to us that, by the questionable method adopted, and the unfair and illogical reasoning employed, the result of this article with all thinking men must be to prejudice them very strongly against such one-sided views. The fulminations of the *Daily Press* will practically affect Governor HENNESSY in the Mauritius, or with the public both here and in England, just about as much as they are likely to influence the Secretary of State; and that is all; but as a newspaper writer has no more right, without the least foundation, to write an unjust thing than to act one, we think it will teach our contemporary a lesson if we expose the unjustifiable manner in which the *Daily Press* has been misrepresented, in order to bolster up the contentions of the morning print.

An article in our Yokohama contemporary is set out as the *raison d'être* of the criticism in the *Daily Press*, and this is the manner in which the subject is introduced to the readers of our local thunderer:—

The *Yokohama* seems at length to be arriving at a more just estimate of the character and results of Sir John Pope Hennessy's administration of the Government of Hongkong than

it has hitherto entertained. A short time ago we translated and commented on an article from the *Mauritius Argus* in which Sir John Pope Hennessy was hailed as the liberator of the Creoles. Our comments on this article furnish our Yokohama contemporary with a text for a leader, certainly not supporting our views, but nevertheless containing the following very substantial admission:—"The *Hongkong Daily Press* appeals strongly to our reason when it says that disaffection and hatred can be the only results of creating political aspirations which it is impossible to gratify. That seems to describe pretty accurately what Sir John did in Hongkong, and it may prove to be an accurate description of the task he has set about in Mauritius." It is much to be desired that Her Majesty's Government should come to a similar conclusion to that which Sir John's friends and whilom supporters are arriving at, and that they should no longer entrust the important duties of a Governor to the hands of such a mischievous individual.

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"Even Sir JOHN POPE HENNESSY's most hostile critics must give him the credit of being consistent. So uniform is his policy that its nature can be predicted in any particular case with the greatest confidence. There is a story told of a Dutch seaman, who, being employed to heave the lead, and finding his knowledge of English insufficient to interpret the marks grammatically, contented himself with crying out in a nautical monotone:—"You'd better keep away from 'e-e-e-re!' You'd better keep away from 'e-e-e-re!' until at last the ship ran ashore, whereupon the Dutchman shouted triumphantly:—"Didn't I tell you so-o-o-o! Didn't I tell you so-o-o-o!" Sir John's critics remind us of this worthy but imperfectly educated mariner. They do not attempt any thorough analysis of his policy, or essay to show whether it is radically bad or good. All they say is, "keep it away. We'll have none of it!" and then, seeing it repeated elsewhere, they point with exultation to their own perspicacity, just as though the very possibility of forecasting a man's conduct was sufficient to prove him a malefactor. In Hongkong Sir John's aim was to remove, as far as possible, the municipal and political disabilities under which the Chinese residents laboured. The latter are British subjects, and it is a fundamental principle of British civilization that men who pay taxes ought to have a voice in their disposal. It is true that in attempting to rate the respective claims of the Chinese and English residents, many special circumstances have to be taken into consideration, but no one can deny that the equalization of those claims ought to be the final object of a just administration. It was Sir JOHN POPE HENNESSY's object, but unfortunately he seems to have pursued it with so little tact and so much precipitancy that his action tended rather to widen than to bridge the interval. In Mauritius also he finds a class of persons situated somewhat similarly to the Chinese in Hongkong, namely the Creoles, or Mauritians proper. The attitude of their new Governor is interpreted by this class as indicating a desire to "give Mauritius to the Mauritians," or, in other words, to give the Creoles political liberty and representative institutions. The prospect is welcomed by the Mauritians *Argus* in a strain of somewhat romantic eloquence, interspersed with protestations of fidelity and attachment to the British Crown, and containing, amongst other things, the following statements:—

"The administration of Sir John Pope Hennessy, whatever may be its ultimate end, or whatever events may distinguish it later on, has offered in its first few months an unusual spectacle. It recalls the prejudice, unavailing against Sir John by a large proportion of the public before his arrival, and cannot but feel astonished at the reversal of feeling which the present time displays. Sir John Pope Hennessy rains each day in popularity, and it may be said that already he has

gained more confidence and esteem than most previous Governors possessed. Curious as this is, it is inexplicable. No! The prejudice which at first existed in Mauritius against our Governor was produced by allegations more or less false, by flanders, by reflections more or less malevolent on his character and his political tendencies, all of which were designedly scattered broadcast by those whom his policy had displeased in other places. The private letters of those who pretended to know, and articles in some of the journals of the colonies where he had been, represented him as a despotic and irascible spirit, a man of revolutionary tendencies whose administration had everywhere resulted in disorder, and as taking particular pleasure in exciting political passions, and being in the habit of making assertions void of foundation in order to cover and justify his policy. A Hongkong journal went so far as to remember, as to bring against the late Governor of that Colony, accusations of a very grave nature indeed. All this was reproduced, printed, and published in Mauritius. Hence the preconceived opinions of Mauritians with regard to their future Governor.

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SOME persons with a turn for dismal statistics has computed that the chances of being murdered in Rome and England are as 237 to 1.

A WRITER in the *Woman's Journal* anticipates the time when sex will no longer determine wages, and women will be remunerated at the same rates as men.

A SENSATIONAL law suit is expected in Scotland, where the Marquis of Huntley's three brothers have determined to resist his lordship's attempts to disinherit the Aberdeen estates.

A STORY is circulated to the effect that the body of Abraham Lincoln had been secretly removed from the sarcophagus at Springfield to prevent the possibility of any further attempt by grave robbers to secure the body. It is said to be deposited in another portion of the cemetery, and that its location is known only to a few immediate friends.

THERE has been lately a marked diminution in the population of Germany. The number of the population fell between December 1, 1880, and June 6, 1882, from 45,934,061 to 45,215,997. The decrease is spread over the country in an unequal manner. In some parts there is even an increase. Alsace-Lorraine has suffered a heavy loss in proportion to its numbers.

THE ex-Viceroy of Egypt intends, it is said, to settle in London. He has an income, not far short of £100,000 a year, and a number of young and beautiful wives. As he is personally a most amiable man, and has made a great many friends, there is every reason why he should, if he chooses, be perfectly comfortable in the British Metropolis. There is no cause to doubt that in repudiating the idea that he has any hope of again governing Egypt he is quite sincere. He appears, in fact, to have had quite enough of the land of the Pharaohs.

It is semi-officially announced that an agreement regulating the position of the Russian officers in Bulgaria was signed at Sofia on the 15th ultimo. The principal stipulations are as follows:—The Bulgarian Minister of War to be appointed by Prince Alexander with the consent of the Czar, the Prince alone possessing the right of revoking this appointment. The Minister of War not to interfere in the internal affairs of the Principality, and to be directly responsible to the Prince and the National Assembly for his acts and for the estimates of his Ministry. The Russian officers who come to serve in the Bulgarian army for a period of three years with the Czar's consent to owe obedience to the Prince, the Constitution, and the laws of Bulgaria.

THE health of animals, as well as that of human beings, may often be guessed at very shrewdly by simply feeling their pulse. In a horse a good and strong-but-quiet pulse beats forty times a minute, in an ox fifty to fifty-five, in sheep and pigs not less than seventy, or more than eighty, for ordinary health. It may be felt wherever a large artery crosses a bone. In the horse it is generally felt on the cord which crosses over the bone of the lower jaw in front of its curved position, or in the bony ridge above the eye; and in cattle over the middle of the first rib. In sheep it is, perhaps, easiest to place the hand on the left side, where the beating of the heart may be felt. A rapid, hard, and full pulse in stock points to inflammation and high fever; a rapid, small and weak pulse also to fever, but to fever accompanied by a poor and weak state of the subject. A very slow pulse in stock will often be found to indicate brain disease, while a jumping and irregular pulse shows something wrong with the heart.

IN Western Australia, whither shipments of convicts from England to the colonies were made for the last time in 1867, there were, it appears, at the end of last year still 246 convicts chargeable to Imperial Funds. Forty-one sentences, however, expire this year, and 50 next year, and the whole of the sentences will have lapsed by the end of the year 1901. From the table included in the recent report of the Directors of Convict Prisons, from which we derive these facts, we learn that after the last-mentioned year, the only direct trace remaining of the long-established system of transporting persons convicted of serious offences to Australia will be the existence of 97 persons in the above-mentioned colony released on tickets of leave as yet unexpired, or of rather so many of their number as shall be then living. It is to be noted, however, that in Western Australia, as in New South Wales and Tasmania, there will for some time be a charge upon the Imperial Government on account of persons in the condition of paupers unable to earn their livelihood, and who consist of invalid time-expired convicts and of the children of convicts.

SAYS the Shanghai *Courier* of the 21st inst:—"The installation of the R.W. Master and officers of the Cosmopolitan Lodge, No. 428, S.C., took place last evening at the Masonic Hall. The ceremony of installation was performed by the Right Worshipful District Grand Master, Brother C. Thorne, who was accompanied by nearly all the officers of the District Grand Lodge, and in addition fifty-eight Brethren were present. Brother C. J. Holland, who for three years has taken an active part in the working of the Lodge, was installed R.W.M. for the ensuing year, and the following officers were invested by R.W. Master: Brother C. M. Donaldson, the founder of the Cosmopolitan Lodge twenty years ago;—

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ALMA TADEMA's picture "Sappho," which has already been etched by O. C. Murray and extensively published, has now advanced to the dignity of reproduction on a drop-scene of a theatre in Edinburgh. The painting on the drop-scene is in monochrome.

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J. O'Neill, S.
G. L. Skinner, C.H.
Chas. Brown, P.M.
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C. Merritt, Tyler.

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THE latest advertisement of the New York *Sun* is so unique in its way, that we deem it worth reproduction. Here it is:—"About sixty million copies of *The Sun* have gone out of our establishment during the past twelve months. If you were to paste end to end all the columns of all *The Sun* printed and sold last year, you would get a continuous strip of interesting information, common-sense wisdom, sound doctrine, and sane wit long enough to reach from Printing House Square to the top of Mount Copernicus in the moon, then back to Printing House Square, and then three-quarters of the way back to the moon again. But *The Sun* is written for the thousands of the earth; this same strip of intelligence would girdle the globe twenty-seven or twenty-eight times. If every boy of a copy of *The Sun* during the past year has 'spent' only one hour over it, and if his wife or his grandfather has spent another hour, this newspaper, in 1883, has afforded the human race thirteen thousand years of steady reading, night and day. It is only by little calculations like these that you can form any idea of the circulation of the most popular of American newspapers, or of its influence on the opinions and actions of American men and women. *The Sun* is, and will continue to be, a newspaper which tells the truth without fear of consequences, which gets at the facts no matter how much the process costs, which presents the news of all the world without waste of words, and in the most readable shape, which is working with all its heart for the cause of honest government, and which, therefore, believes that the Republican party must go in this coming year of Our Lord, 1884. If you know *The Sun*, you like it already, and you will read it with accustomed diligence and profit during what is sure to be the most interesting year in its history. If you do not yet know *The Sun*, it is high time to get into the saddle."

THE students of Glasgow University may mark the *Daily News* be cordially congratulated on their choice of a Lord Rector. We trust that no technical difficulty connected with his tenure of a Professorship at Cambridge may interfere with Mr. Fawcett's acceptance of this honour thus conferred upon him. His Rectorial Address is due to be interesting, instructive, and marked by the intellectual vigour and moral courage which so eminently distinguishes the Postmaster-General. There is a sense in which no one is less professorial than Mr. Fawcett. No one is more free from pedantry, or more in the mental attitude which distinguishes itself by the attractive force of superior and sustained culture. But, on the other hand, no man is more thoroughly master of the subject which he professes, or can present it in a more field and elegant style. Fawcett's acceptance was not especially fortunate. Lord Bute, the Conservative candidate, is already known for his wealth and his conversion to the Roman Catholic Church. Mr. Russell, with all his literary and political gifts, is a little out of place at this point in a quasi-political contest. We should be glad to think that a selection of Mr. Fawcett's address had something to do with his being left at the bottom of the poll. "Mill and Fawcett" was the great apostle of peace and courtesy, now making of the contemporary conflict which they were called to face. Mr. Fawcett will surely not be hindered by being asked to compare with Mr. Mill. But Russell's conversion to Catholicism, which is his country's property as much as his own, by abandoning from public utility a great man, who devoted many years to the study of political economy and the history of the British Empire, and who has spent hours in the study of the history of the British Empire, is a thing which few men of letters are cynical enough to dispute.

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The Hongkong Telegraph.

No. 560.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1883.

SIX DOLLARS PER QUARTER.

Insurances.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000, EQUAL \$833,333.33.
RESERVE FUND \$70,858.27.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq., LEE YAT LAU, Esq.,
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MANAGER—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1882. [670]

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to grant Policies on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the world at CURRENT RATES.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, 3rd November, 1883. [827]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED \$1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods, &c. Policies granted to all parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN, Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [106]

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up) Tls. 420,000.00
PERMANENT RESERVE Tls. 230,000.00
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND Tls. 318,235.56

TOTAL CAPITAL and ACCUMULATIONS, 31st March, 1883, Tls. 968,235.56

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POLICIES granted on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World.

Subject to a charge of 12 per cent. for Interest on Shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS of the UNDERWRITING BUSINESS are annually distributed among all Contributors of Business (whether Shareholders or not) in proportion to the premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 25th May, 1883. [83]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A SECOND and FINAL BONUS of Five per cent. on Contributions and a DIVIDEND OF EIGHTEEN DOLLARS and TWENTY-NINE CENTS per SHARE for the year 1882, will be Payable on MONDAY, the 22nd instant.

Warrants may be had on application at the Office of the Society on and after that date.

By Order of the Board,
DOUGLAS JONES,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 22nd October, 1883. [794]

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

FROM To-day's Date I have taken over the MANAGEMENT of this Company's Station at Hongkong.

IWAN BERNER,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1883. [944]

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day commenced Business at the Port of Kowloon as **MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT.**

R. E. BRUCE.
Kowloon, 20th November, 1883. [903]

To be Let.

TWO ROOMS at No. 14, YEE WO STREET, East Point. For Particulars, enquire on the Premises.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1883. [914]

TO LET.

THE PREMISES now occupied by us, No. 11, Queen's Road Central.

For further Particulars, apply to Messrs. **RUSSELL & Co.**

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1883. [607]

TO LET.

BISNEY VILLA at Pokfulam, furnished.

No. 4th PRAYA CENTRAL.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1883. [918]

For Sale.

CHRISTMAS, 1883.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
have received, and have now on view,

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

CHRISTMAS DELICACIES,

ARTICLES SUITABLE FOR PRESENTS, AND

FANCY GOODS.

Comprising—

REAL TURTLE SOUP.

SALMON CUTLETS.

KIPPERED SALMON.

HERRINGS A LA SARDINES.

SARDINES AU CITRON.

HERRINGS IN WHITE WINE.

MACKEREL IN WHITE WINE.

FRENCH TRUFFLES.

ASSORTED ENGLISH PATTIES.

PATE DE FOIE GRAS.

TRUFFLED CHICKENS IN JELLY.

FRENCH TINNED LARKS.

ASSORTED FRENCH PATES.

ASPARAGUS.

PETITS POIS.

CHAMPIGNONS.

PUDDING & SULTANA RAISINS.

PEEL FOR MINCEMEAT.

CHRISTMAS HAMS.

CHRISTMAS CAKES.

PLUM PUDDINGS.

PORT DU SALUT CHEESE.

GRUYERE CHEESE.

GORGONZOLA CHEESE.

DOUBLE GLOSTER CHEESE.

FRENCH PLUMS.

FRUITS IN NOVEAU AND BRANDY.

CRYSTALLIZED FRUITS.

ELVA'S PLUMS.

MUSCATEL RAISINS.

BARCELONA & BRAZIL NUTS.

BEST FRENCH CONFECTIONERY.

BONBONS & DRAJES.

BONBONNIERS FOR XMAS TREES.

FRENCH CHOCOLATES.

NEWEST COCAQUES & CRACKERS.

MECHANICAL TOYS.

ELECTRIC TOYS.

FRENCH & ENGLISH DOLLS.

OUT-DOOR GAMES.

XMAS & NEW YEAR CARDS.

JEWEL CASES.

FANCY PIPES & CIGAR TUBES.

FITTED TRAVELLING BAGS.

WORK BAGS & BASKETS.

PERFUME CASES.

NEW EMBOSSED STATUARY.

AFTERNOON TEA SERVICES.

TETE-A-TETE SETS.

CHINA FIGURES & VASES.

DUPLEX LAMPS IN NEWEST DESIGNS.

CHILDREN'S ANNUALS.

PRESENTATION BOOKS.

CABINET & SCRAP ALBUMS.

MENU & GUEST CARDS.

OSLER'S ARTISTIC CHINA & GLASS.

WARE.

FLOWER BRACKETS & BASKETS.

PRETTY TEA & COFFEE SETS.

FLOWER STANDS.

TABLE DECORATIONS, LATEST DESIGNS & SHADES.

A HANDSOME DRAWING ROOM FOUNTAIN.

NEW ELECTRO-PLATED WARE.

COFFEE & TEA SERVICES.

SALAD BOWLS & HELPERS.

EPERGNES.

FLOWER & FRUIT STANDS.

NEW CENTRE PIECES.

DESSERT SETS.

WACHTER'S ROYAL CHARTER CHAMPAGNE.

DEUTZ & GELDERMANN'S GOLD LACK CHAMPAGNE.

LEMOINE'S VIN BRUT CHAMPAGNE.

SPARKLING MOSELE.

DRY SERRIES.

CHOICE BORDEAUX WINES.

AFTER DINNER PORT.

BURGUNDIES.

HOCKS.

LIQUEUR BRANDIES & WHISKIES.

LIQUEURS.

&c., &c., &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1883. [903]

CHRISTMAS, 1883.

AS the above Festival is approaching, the Undersigned begs to inform the Community of Hongkong that he is PREPARED to SUPPLY CHRISTMAS CAKES of the Best Quality, weighing from 1lb. to 10lbs. READY ON HAND, or made to order, any weight.

Also,

MINCE PIES, Assorted TARTS, CAKES, FRENCH BISCUITS, and RUSKS.

D. NOWROJEE,
Bank Buildings.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1883. [916]

XMAS! XMAS! XMAS!!!

KOCH & Co.,
Nos. 15 & 17, POTTINGER STREET.
THE LATEST NOVELTY OUT.

AUTOMATIC WATER FOUNTAINS.
COME AND SEE, AND SATISFY YOURSELVES.

THE latest invention of the age, suitable for Parlour, Drawing Room or Conservatory. No Smell! No Smoke! No Danger!!! These WATER FOUNTAINS are the result of a long series of scientific experiments only just arrived at the scene of perfection. The whole power consists of a miniature engine propelled by hot air generated by a spirit lamp. The force of the engine is sufficient to raise a jet of water several feet in the air, being regulated, as far as ten feet, by the raising or lowering of the flame of the lamp. It takes but a few minutes to set the machine in motion. No special attention required, save to trim the lamp once in 24 hours. The Fountains are of tasteful design, and are arranged for the reception of aquatic plants, or an aquarium, to suit the pleasure of the possessor, and are made as strong and durable as iron, glass and wood can make them. Will last a lifetime and cannot get out of order. Call and Satisfy Yourself.

KOCH & Co.,
Nos. 15 & 17, Pottinger Street.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1883. [923]

Intimations.

J. ULLMANN & CO.

42, QUEEN'S ROAD.

ARE NOW SHEWING EX S.S. "IRRAOUADY" AND S.S. "GLENEAGLES."

FIRE PROOF and COMBINATION SAFES.

STEEL JEWEL BOXES, TELESCOPES,

MARINE and FIELD GLASSES, BEST MEERSCHAUM

CIGAR and CIGARETTE HOLDERS.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

LEATHER BAGS, FOUL LINEN BAGS, &c.

PARIS MADE GENTLEMEN'S BOOTS AND SHOES, SCARVES AND SHIRTS.

N E W T O Y S

IN GREAT VARIETY.

FRENCH DRAGES and BONBONS.

A SPECIALITE FOR THE XMAS SEASON.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL AND PRICES MODERATE.

ALWAYS ON HAND

A Large Assortment of GOLD and SILVER WATCHES and CHRONOMETERS, CLOCKS

of all kinds, BAROMETERS, THERMOMETERS, ANEROIDS,

SPECTACLES, EYE-GLASSES, &c., &c., &c.

THE BEST MAKERS, AND AT LOW PRICES.

J. ULLMANN & CO.
42, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
Hongkong, 28th November, 1883. [849]

JUST RECEIVED.

"ILLUSTRATED NEWS" CHRISTMAS NUMBER.

"GRAPHIC" CHRISTMAS NUMBER.

MISS BRADDON'S CHRISTMAS ANNUAL.

GENTLEMAN'S ANNUAL.

YOUNG LADIES' JOURNAL, CHRISTMAS NUMBER.

CALDICOTT'S NEW TOY BOOKS.

"A FROG, HE WOULD A WOOLING GO."

"THE FOX JUMPED OVER THE PARSON'S GATE."

HEY DIDDLE DIDDLE PICTURE BOOKS.

CHRISTMAS BOOKS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS.

EVERY BOY'S ANNUAL.

THE BOYS' OWN ANNUAL.

UNION JACK.

"LITTLE WIDE A WAKE."

"CHATTERBOX."

LITTLE FOLKS.

A Host of Children's PICTURE BOOKS.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

Our Christmas show is replenished with a further Selection of NEW GOODS

to which inspection is invited.

KELLY & WALSH.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1883. [560]

W. B. BREWER.

IS NOW SHEWING.

A VERY Elegant Assortment of FANCY GOODS consisting of the NEW VIENNA

WICKER WORK GOODS beautifully trimmed and fitted, comprising:

Large Useful WORKBASKETS in entirely new shapes, lined and fitted.

WALL POCKETS & HANDBASKETS trimmed with Chinelle Gold Lace & Velvet.

A New Stock of LADIES HAND BAGS in Plush, Satin, Russia and Morocco Leathers.

The NEW BRASS WARE in a number of useful Articles, Inkstands, Card Trays, Watch

Stands, Smokers Sets, Photograph Frames, &c., &c.

PLUSH GOODS.—New Designs in Writing Cases, Ladies Companions, fitted, Blotting Books,

Photograph Cases, Large Promenade Photo Frames, &c.

WOOD GOODS.—Oak Writing Desks, Walnut Writing Desks, Workboxes and Inkstands.

LEATHER GOODS.—Cigar and Cigarette Cases, Pocket Books, Letter and Card Cases,

Purses, Photo Albums, Writing Cases, Ball Programmes, Indicators, Dressing Cases.

CHRISTMAS CARDS!

A VERY FINE LOT JUST RECEIVED.

LET'S DIARIES!

RUDDY OLD BLOCK!

NEW MECHANICAL TOYS!

W. BREWER,
QUEEN'S ROAD.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1883. [784]

NOW SHOWING.

CHRISTMAS TOYS and PRESENTS.

LADIES' PLUSH, &c., Work and Scent Boxes.

LADIES' and GENTS' DRESSING CASES.

LADIES' BOOTS and SHOES, and GENTS' BOOTS.

IVORY, PLUSH, and LEATHER NOTE BOOKS.

NICKEL PLATED LABELS for DECANTERS.

NICKEL PLATED NUT CRACKERS.

MOUNTED CORKS with LABELS for DECANTERS.

Assorted kinds of CRYSTALLIZED FRUITS.

PLUSH and LEATHER PHOTO ALBUMS.

NICKEL PLATED STANDS for ALBUMS.

Parlour made ORNAMENTS for TABLES, &c.

And a variety of other articles very suitable for

CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR PRESENTS.

"NOVELTY STORE"

Hongkong, 19th December, 1883. [751]

SAYLE & CO'S

SHOW ROOMS.

FOR CHRISTMAS.

LADIES' COMPANIONS

JEWEL CASES.

INK STANDS.

FANCY PHOTO FRAMES.

PLUSH BAGS.

FANCY ORNAMENTS.

SCENT CASES.

Large Bottles of the Best EAU DE COLOGNE.

CARVED BRACKETS.

WORK BOXES, WRITING CASES.

EMBOSSED DOLLAR & LETTER CASES.

POCKET BOOKS & PURSES.

CIGAR CASES.

JAPANESE OIL PAINT BOX.

OAK COPYING PRESS.

DOLLS, DRUMS, PUZZLES.

SAYLE & CO.,
VICTORIA EXCHANGE, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, 21st December, 1883. [798]

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U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVER-

LAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING

AT YOKOHAMA AND SAN

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